

Remarks:

Claims 1-14 and 20-22 remain for consideration in this application.

Pursuant to a telephone interview with the Examiner and Applicant's attorney, Applicant hereby submits this amendment in order to fully comply with the formal requirements of reissue practice. In the Amendment filed May 1, 2002, Applicant added a paragraph to the Specification, amended claim 20, and added claim 22. Applicant did not, however, failed to underline the added material in accordance with the requirements of reissue practice. Applicant has corrected this deficiency by amending the Specification and claims 20 and 22 by underlining said text. No other amendment has been made.

In view of the foregoing, a Notice of Allowance appears to be in order and such is courteously solicited.

Any additional fee which is due in connection with this amendment should be applied against our Deposit Account No. 19-0522.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Specification:

The paragraph at column 2, line 68, following the description of Fig. 6 was replaced with the following:

FIG. 7 illustrates a method of drug screening an individual in accordance with one embodiment of the invention.

Claims:

The following claims were amended by addition of underlining only:

20. (Twice Amended) A method of drug screening an individual, comprising the steps of:
obtaining a urine sample from said individual;
providing an assay member supporting a substrate having a surface adapted to be contacted with
said urine sample;
at least one assaying indicia provided upon said surface and having an initial encoded value, said
indicia capable of changing to a second encoded value in response to said contact with
said sample.
said assaying indicia including at least one analysis element, at least one fixed element, and at least
one blank region therebetween and being machine readable only and not human
interpretable in the absence of said machine reading, so that others viewing said indicia
after said contact with said sample are unable to directly interpret the results of the
individual's drug screening assay without said machine reading;
machine reading said assaying indicia after said urine contacting step to ascertain the drug screen

results; and

storing said drug results in electronic memory.

22. (Amended) An assay arrangement designed for drug screening of an individual, said arrangement comprising:

a substrate having a surface adapted to be contacted with a urine sample from said individual; and
at least one assaying indicia provided upon said surface and having an initial encoded value, said
indicia capable of changing to a second encoded value in response to said contact with
said sample.

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drug screening assay without said machine reading.

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